Miami Beach Feature Film Pojects

STUCK ON YOU (2003) Fox

Peter & Bobby Farelly (w/d), Matt Damon, Greg Kinnear, Cher, Meryl Streep

Locations: Sport Café (560 Washington Ave), Miami Beach Recreation Center (20th and Washington), Lost Weekend (218 Espanola Way), ZNO (1437 Washington Ave), Lincoln Road.

Of note: Not one frame of the film took place in Miami. It was entirely set in Rhode Island and Los Angeles. Turned Lost Weekend into a New England bar. Used the Miami Beach Community Church on Lincoln Road as a Mission-style backdrop to sub for California while Cher and Greg Kinnear shared margaritas, Greg Kinnear shared a tender moment with a piece of placed sculpture on the Euclid circle.

FROM JUSTIN TO KELLY (2003) Fox

Rob Iscove (dir), Justin Gaurini, Kelly Clarkson

Locations: Nikki Beach, South Pointe Park and Beach, Mango's Café (900 Ocean Drive) Of note: One scene featured Justin arriving on the beach at South Pointe via hovercraft.

BAD BOYS 2 (2003) Sony

Michael Bay (dir), Will Smith, Martin Lawrence, Gabrielle Union

Locations: Private homes on North Bay Road and East Rivo Alto (Venetia Islands), Collins Avenue (8-9 Streets), McArthur Causeway.

Of note: McArthur Causeway. Need I say more?

OUT OF TIME (2003) MGM

Carl Franklin (dir), Denzel Washington, Eva Mendes

Locations: McArthur Causeway, Ocean Drive (7-8 Streets).

2 FAST 2 FURIOUS (2003) Universal

John Singleton (dir), Paul Walker, Tyrese, Eva Mendes, Cole Hauser

Locations: Pearl (Nikki Beach), MaCarthur Causeway, Washington Avenue (1-5 Streets), South Pointe Park

Of note: There is no infamous back room of Pearl where Cole Hauser used a hungry live rat to torture a police informant.

ALL ABOUT THE BENJAMINS (2002) Kevin Bray (dir), Ice Cube, Michael Epps, Eva Mendes/ New Line

Locations: Euclid (6 Street), Washington (5-6 Street) Of note: Writer Ron Lang hails from South Florida.

BIG TROUBLE (2002) Barry Sonnenfeld (dir), Tim Allen, Katie Holmes, Rene Russo/ Sony

Locations: Joe's Stone Crab, Ocean Drive, Club Madonna

EMPIRE (2002) Franc Reyes (dir), John Leguizamo/ Universal

Locations: Penrod's, Alton Road (1-4 Street)

Of not: All of the Miami filmed scenes were cut from the final film.

MR. ST. NICK (2002) Hallmark Entertainment/ ABC

Craig Zisk (dir), Kelsey Grammer, Charles Durning

Locations: McArthur Causeway, private home in Venetian Islands.

ALI (2001) Michael Mann (dir), Will Smith/ Sony

Locations: Fountainbleu Hotel, Seville Hotel, Venetian Causeway

Of note: Will Smith jogs along the Venetian in the opening of the film.

ANY GIVEN SUNDAY (2000) Oliver Stone (dir), Al Pacino, Jamie Foxx/ Warner Brothers Locations: Lincoln Terrace Apartments, Penrod's, Private homes on Star Island, North Bay Road.

THE CREW (2000) Michael Dinner (dir), Burt Reynolds, Richard Dreyfus/ Touchstone Locations: 73 Street Bandshell, 11 Street Diner, MaCarthur Causeway, Joe's Stone Crab, Park Central Hotel, Ocean Drive, Clevelander, Club Deuce, San Loco, Living Room, Private home on Star Island

8MM (1999) Joel Schumacher (dir), Nic Cage/ Sony

Locations: Clevelander, The Tides Hotel

ANALYZE THIS (1999) Harold Ramis (dir), Robert DeNiro, Billy Chrystal/ Warner Brothers Locations: Fountainbleu Hotel

RANDOM HEARTS (1999) Sydney Pollack (dir), Harrison Ford, Kristen Scott Thomas/ Sony Locations: Ocean Drive (7-13 Streets), The National Hotel

Of note: The famous infinity pool of The National Hotel was incorrectly identified as being The Delano in the film.

OUT OF SIGHT (1998) Stephen Soderbergh (dir), George Clooney, Jennifer Lopez/ Universal Locations: St. Francis Hospital, Adams Hotel, Collins (8-10 Street)

HOLY MAN (1998) Stephen Herek (dir), Eddie Murphy/ Touchstone

Locations: MaCarthur Causeway, Julia Tuttle Causeway, Ocean Drive, Lummus Park (5-9 Street)

SOMETHING ABOUT MARY (1998) Peter and Bobby Farelly (dirs), Cameron Diaz, Ben Stiller, Matt Dillon/ Fox

Locations: Cardozo Hotel, Edison Hotel, Chez Papa, Big Pink, Wolfie's,

THE PEST (1997) Paul Miller (dir), John Leguizamo/ Sony

Locations: Washington Avenue (5, 17 Streets), Paris Studios, Ocean Drive (5-10 Streets), Collins Avenue (5-15 Street)

PRONTO (1997) Jim McBride (dir), Peter Faulk/ Showtime

Locations: Miami Beach Police Station, Carlyle Hotel, Netherland Hotel, Cardozo Hotel, Cavalier Hotel

THE BLACKOUT (1997) Abel Ferrara (dir), Matthew Modine, Dennis Hopper/ Trimark Locations: Shelbourne Hotel, Washington (10-18 Streets), Collins (15 – 45 Streets), 11th Street Diner, Pinetree Market

These projects filmed locally, but came before our electronic permitting system:

JUST CAUSE (1995) Arnie Glimcher (dir), Sean Connery, Laurence Fishburne/ Warner Brothers Locations: MaCarthur Causeway, Eden Roc Hotel

Of note: The bridge jump on the old MaCarthur drawbridge (as the new one was being built next to it) closed traffic for several nights.

THE SPECIALIST (1994) Luis Llosa (dir), Sylvester Stallone, Sharon Stone/ Warner Brothers Locations: Ocean Drive, Clevelander, Fontainebleau Hotel

Of note: A long camera take with cranes begins with Emilio Estefan as the house musician at the Clevelander. Also, a balcony explodes at the Fountainbleu.

MARRIED TO THE MOB (1998) Jonathan Demme (dir), Michelle Pfeifer, Matthew Modine/ Orion

Locations: Eden Roc Hotel

Of note: The climax of the film takes place at the hotel where director Demme grew up.

SCARFACE (1983) Brian DePalma (dir), Al Pacino, Michelle Pfeifer/ Universal

Locations: Ocean Drive (7-8 Street), The Fontainebleau

Of note: The site of the brutal chainsaw torture scene is now a Johnny Rockets.

THE BIRDCAGE (1996) Mike Nichols (dir), Robin Williams, Nathan Lane/ MGM

Locations: The Carlyle, The Fontainebleau, MaCarthur Causeway

Of note: The tender bench scene was filmed on one of the landings of the MaCarthur facing Government Cut.

MIDNIGHT COWBOY (1969) John Schlessinger (dir) Dustin Hoffman, Jon Voight/ MGM

Locations: Julia Tuttle Causeway, Collins Avenue (41-49 Street)

Of note: Sorry for spoilers, but Ratzo's death in Joe Buck's arms takes place on the bus as Collins Avenue reflects outward.

Other Fontainebleau films:

THE BODYGUARD (1992), POLICE ACADEMY 5: ASSIGNMENT MIAMI BEACH (1988), TONY ROME (1967), LADY IN CEMENT (1968), GOLDFINER (1964), THE BELLBOY (1960)

Other Miami Beach films:

THE GODFATHER PART 2 (1974)